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Mark Williams Named New District Forester in Northwest District

Jackson, MS – Effective October 1st, 2012, Mark Williams will assume the position of Northwest District Forester for the Mississippi Forestry Commission (MFC).

Williams was formerly the Assistant District Forester in the Northwest District and has been an MFC employee for approximately 18yrs. He started his career with MFC in 1993 as a Service Forester in Grenada and Tallahatchie counties. In 1999, Williams took the position of Area Forester for the Natural Resource Conservation Service. A year later he came back to MFC as the Northwest Assistance District Forester.

"We are excited to have Mark as the new District Forester in the Northwest District," said Charlie Morgan, State Forester. "His experience and proven leadership in that district is a great asset to not only the Northwest District, but the entire agency as well."

Williams, a graduate of Mississippi State University with a B.S. degree in Forestry, has lived within the Northwest District most of his life. In addition to his knowledge of forest systems in the Northwest District, he is also a Type II Wildland Firefighter and has been on many details out west assisting those states in wildfire suppression.